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REGIONAL COMMAND & CONTROL COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT TO HOST AN OPEN HOUSE

(San Diego) The Regional Command and Control Communications Project (3Cs) is a multi-phase, inter-agency public safety communications project. 3Cs will allow public safety agencies to effectively work together during large and small-scale emergencies and disasters. The ultimate goal is for public safety agencies to better serve their communities.

3Cs is an independent, private communications network which directly connects public safety agencies and encourages inter-agency collaboration. Using tools such as video conferencing and streaming video, first responders can quickly and easily determine how best to manage a disaster or terrorist incident. The goal is to ensure that any public safety responder have the most up to date information on the incident or disaster.

Interoperability, regionalization, and collaboration are the foundation of the 3Cs project. This project represents a truly regional initiative funded by federal, state, local and tribal organizations. Private sector companies are also partners in the 3Cs project.

This project was proposed jointly by the city and county of San Diego as a regional communications solution. The pilot program for the 3Cs network includes the San Diego Sheriff's Department, SDPD, San Diego Fire-Rescue, CalFire San Diego, as well as the county and city emergency operations centers. Future phases of the project will include public safety agencies from across the county as well as neighboring jurisdictions.

On Wednesday, March 7, 2007, at the County Office of Emergency Services, 5555 Overland Avenue, 3Cs will host an Open House to demonstrate communications and video equipment as part of a simulated terrorist attack at a city facility. Helicopters from the SDPD, the Sheriff's Department and SD Fire-Rescue will participate as well as SDPD SWAT Team, Sheriff's SED, La Mesa Police and Fire and SD EMS.

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Media set up will be from 9 – 10 a.m. and the program will begin at 10 and run through noon.
Media must be in possession of valid credentials to gain access to the County EOC.

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